taken against the former Directors of the Bank who sanctioned questionable loan in the past; and

(e) if so, what are the details thereof and if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) and (b) The information is not readily available. Information is however being collected and to the extent it can be disclosed, in accordance with the statutes governing the banks and practices and usages customary among bankers, will be laid on the Table of the House.

(c) The names of the Directors of the Bank of Cochin Limited on 26th August, 1985, the date on which the Bank was amalagamated with State Bank of India, are as indicated below:—

1. Shri P. I. John—Chairman *and Chief Executive Officer*
2. Shri T.O. Abdulla
3. Shri A.C. Jose
4. Shri M V. John
5. Shri U. J. Tharian
6. Shri M T. Lazar Mampally
7. Shri Rev. Magr. Antony Parakkal
8. Shri K. Venkataram Ayyar—(*Addi. Director*)
9. Shri P. C. Iype.

(d) and (e) Reserve Bank of India proposes to scrutinise the irregularities committed by the erstwhile Directors and institute misfeasance proceedings wherever considered necessary. Shri E. K. Andrew, the former Chairman of the Bank of Cochin Ltd. had already been removed by the Reserve Bank of India in April, 1983 for misuse of loaning powers. Shri Andrew was also sentenced for two years rigorous imprisonment by the Chief Judicial Magistrate, Ernakulam in September, 1985, on the basis of a criminal complaint filed by Reserve Bank of India.

Identification of New Areas for Boosting Exports

1117. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether new areas have been identified by Government for boosting exports during the Seventh Plan period; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) and (b) Certain sectors have been identified which can provide a substantial contribution to the growth in our exports in the medium term. These include traditional, non-traditional and newly emerging areas: Tea, specially in packaged and value-added forms; cereals; processed foods, including fruits and juices, meat and meat products and fresh fruits & vegetables; Marine products, specially in value-added forms; Iron ore; Leather & leather manufactures; with an emphasis on the latter; Handicrafts & Jewellery; Capital goods & consumer durables; Electronics goods & Computer software; Basic Chemicals; Fabrics, piece-goods & made-ups; Readymade garments; Woollen Fabrics & knitwear; and Projects & Services.

खनिज खनन प्रौद्योगिकी में विदेशी सहयोग

1118. **श्री रामचन्द्र विकल** : क्या इस्पात और खान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि देश में खनिज संपदा के दोहन के लिए अपनायी गयी खनिज खनन प्रौद्योगिकी अपेक्षित परिणाम देने में असफल रही है ;